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Sir:

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An abstract for Japanese Laid-open Patent Application No. 4-29850, obtained from a commercial database, is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

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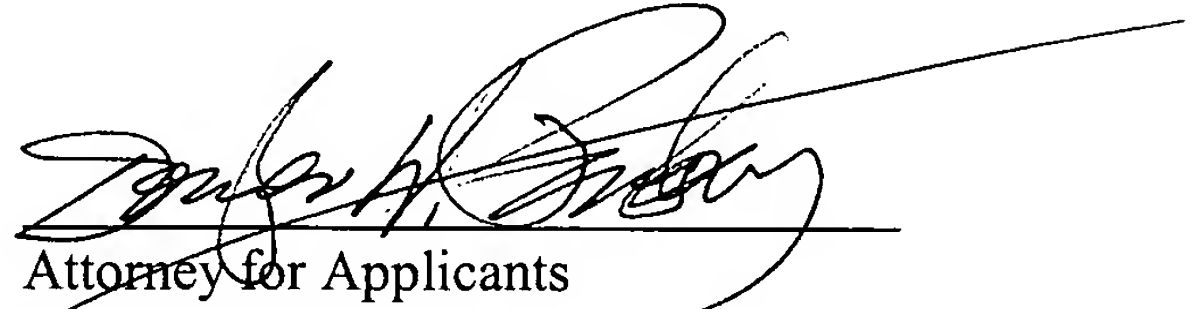
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#### CONCLUSION

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